

CLAIMS

1. A voting system provided with regular operating functions (A-Z, 01-40, 2) to regularly vote for at least one candidate and provided with additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) located at or near a front side of the system for persons with a physical disability wherein the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) are designed for selecting at least one candidate wherein the regular operating functions are provided with regular selection functions (A-Z, 01-40) to select at least one candidate and other regular operating functions (2) to cast a vote for at least one selected candidate wherein the other regular operating functions (2) are also needed to cast a vote in combination with the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) wherein the regular selection functions are provided with an operating field (A-Z, 01-40) with candidate fields for showing substantially all candidates eligible for election at the same time wherein each candidate field is manually operable for selecting a corresponding candidate and wherein the additional operating functions are provided with at least one selector (4, 5, 7, 8) for carrying out, in use, substantially all selections to be made for choosing a candidate, wherein the at least one selector (4) is located at or near the front side (F) of the voting system and wherein the at least one selector comprises a navigator, for instance a joystick or arrow keys and wherein the other regular operating functions comprise at least one voting key (2) for casting a vote for at least one selected candidate said at least one voting key being also provided near and/or at the front side (F) of the voting system. .
2. A system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one selector further comprises at least one keyboard (7, 8), for instance an alphanumeric keyboard (7) and/or numeric keyboard (8).
3. A system according to claims 2, wherein, during use, coordinates of the candidate field to be chosen can be entered by means of said keyboard (7, 8) to select a desired candidate.

4. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, provided with a number of light sources (6) to indicate a selection made by means of the additional operating functions (4, 5, 6, 7, 8).
5. A system according to claim 4, wherein each candidate field is provided with a said light source (6).
6. A system according to claim 4 or 5, wherein said light source (6) comprises at least one light and/or at least one LED.
7. A system according to at least claim 5, designed to make the light source (6) of a selected, but not yet fixed candidate field (1) flash during use.
8. A system according to at least claim 5, designed to cause the light source (6) of a selected, but not yet fixed candidate field (1) to be continuously lighted during use.
9. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, provided with at least one display (3) located at or near the front side (F) of the voting system, for instance to show operating instructions and/or information regarding a selected candidate.
10. A system according to one or more of the preceding claims, wherein the system is provided with a language selector (9), for instance a language key, to chose a language, for instance the language in which operating instruction are shown on a display (3) of the system, wherein the language selector is preferably located at or near said front side (F).
11. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein one or more operating keys (2, 7, 8, 9) of the system are provided with Braille symbols for operation by visually disabled persons.
12. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, provided with a voice-response system and/or headphone for the purpose of operation of the voting system.
13. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, designed for casting several votes per election.

14. A system according to at least claim 2, wherein, during use, by means of operation of the alphanumeric keyboard, so-called "write-in" votes, at least votes for a candidate not listed, can be cast.
15. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein the candidate fields are arranged in columns (A-Z) and rows (01-40).
16. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein said additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) are located substantially between said front side (F) and the said operating field (A-Z, 01-40).
17. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) and the other regular operating functions (2) are located at or near the front side (F) of the system.
18. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein the regular selection functions (A-Z, 01-40) are located at a distance from the front side (F) of the system.
19. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) are located substantially between the front side (F) of the system and the regular selection functions (A-Z, 01-40).
20. A system according to any preceding claim, wherein the additional operating functions are redundant with respect to the regular selection functions.
21. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, provided with a voting table (10), wherein the voting table (10) comprises the candidate fields (A-Z, 01-40) and operating functions, wherein the operating functions comprise the regular operating functions and the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8).
22. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the candidate fields (A-Z, 01-40) are located behind the additional operating functions (4, 5, 7, 8) for disabled persons, viewed from the front side (F) of the system.
23. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein regular operating functions are substantially all located behind the

additional operating functions, viewed from the front side (F) of the system.

24. A system according to any one of the preceding claims, comprising a full-face voting system.

25. Use of a system according to any one of the preceding claims to vote for candidates during elections.